

VZCZCXRO6756
OO RUEHPW
DE RUEHLO #2181/01 2351503
ZNY CCCCC ZZH
O 221503Z AUG 08
FM AMEMBASSY LONDON
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9573
INFO RUCNAFG/AFGHANISTAN COLLECTIVE PRIORITY
RUEKJCS/JCS WASHDC PRIORITY
RHEHNSC/NSC WASHDC PRIORITY
RUCNDT/USMISSION USUN NEW YORK PRIORITY 1249
RUEKJCS/SECDEF WASHDC PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 01 OF 02 LONDON 002181

NOFORN
SIPDIS

DEPT FOR EUR/WE, SCA/A; NSC FOR BRADLEY

EO 12958 DECL: 08/22/2018
TAGS PREL, MARR, PTER, AF, UK
SUBJECT: AFGHANISTAN: BROWN URGES KARZAI TO KEEP HELMAND
GOVERNOR; PRAISES UNSYG REP

Classified By: Political Minister Counselor Greg Berry for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

1. (C/NF) During what was described by FCO Afghanistan Desk Officer Tom Burns as a mainly "morale boosting" trip to Afghanistan on August 21,
2. (C/NF) Brown reportedly emphasized to Karzai that the security assessments he had received from British and Afghan commanders in Helmand were
Meeting with UNSYG Representative Eide

3. (C/NF) Brown spent an hour with UNSYG Special Representative Kai Eide, who expressed concern over slow progress on the security situation,
Cabinet Office Readout

4. (C/NF) In a subsequent conversation with the Cabinet Office's Afghan Officer Helen Evans, she echoed the FCO readout, but stressed that the
5. (C/NF) Brown's traveling party was struck by UNSYG Eide's downbeat assessment of the Afghan leadership, including Karzai, according to Evar
LONDON 00002181 002 OF 002
Visit London's Classified Website: http://www.intelink.sgov.gov/wiki/Portal:United_Kingdom
LEBARON